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James H. Quello
Acting Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Quello:

I wanted to bring to your attention two additional letters I have received regarding PR Docket 92-235. Messrs. John E. Kelley and Robert L. Wolfe oppose the FCC's proposed rules under PR Docket 92-235 because they would reduce the number of frequencies available in the 72-76 MHz band to model aircraft fliers. I request that their views be taken into consideration during the FCC's deliberations on this matter.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,


HENRY A. WAXMAN
Member of Congress

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(2) Letters attached.

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The Honorable Henry Waxman
U.S. House of Representative
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Henry Waxman,

I fly model radio control sailplanes and power planes, and the FCC is holding hearings on NPRM-PR Docket 92-235 which will effect my hobby.

The AMA, Academy of Model Aeronautics, has informed me that new frequency users are going to be inserted between radio control model users and commercial users. If this happens, this will cause interference with our radio equipment which could cause accidents. This will also mean that all of our existing radio equipment will have to be redesigned, and I will have to buy new radio equipment which could cost hundreds of dollars to me to replace.

I am retired and derive many hours of pleasure from building and operating radio controlled models. I have had two heart attacks and flying my models is not only a hobby, but therapy which I need to help me from having another heart attack.

I request that you save our frequency separation on 72 MHz and 75 MHz frequency bands which will save my hobby.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Wolfe

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**The Honorable Henry Waxman
Representative, 29 District
8425 West Third Third St. Suite 400
Los Angeles, CA. 90048**

Friday, January 29, 1993



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Dear Senator Beilenson

I am retired from the California Air National Guard, with a Permanent rank of Tech. Sergeant. I have maintained my interest in flying by building and flying Radio Controlled Aircraft. I have been interested in flying since I was a child.

I am very concerned about the proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling miniature aircraft.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72 - 76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobil dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the mobil frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobil frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidth's and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobil frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations, I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model planes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

Please understand that Many model airplanes have wing spans up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30 or 40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive and take time and skill to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full compliment of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobil radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as the big business users of radios, but we have considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contribute to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72- 76 MHz band.

Sincerely ,

**JOHN E. KELLEY
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